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UM PROFESSORS STUDY
ALASKA RESOURCE PROBLEMS

MISSOULA--

Six University of Montana professors who are members of the Annual School for Administrative Leadership will travel to Alaska Aug. 23 for a two-week intensive study of the relationship between natural resources and society.

Donald Darling, Regional Training Officer for the U. S. Forest Service, Missoula, and co-ordinator for the administrative school's Alaska tour, said the school's purpose is to provide perspectives in the social, economic and political areas of resource management.

Faculty members making the trip include E. B. Dugan, professor of journalism; Gordon Browder, professor of sociology; Dr. Richard E. Shannon, professor of economics; Lawrence E. Barsness, assistant professor of English; Dr. Arnold W. Bolle, dean of the School of Forestry and Dr. Wayne R. Pace, chairman of the Department of Speech Communications.

Accompanying them will be Neal M. Rahm, Northern Regional Forester, U.S. Forest Service, Missoula, and Darling.

The Annual School for Administrative Leadership has been under the auspices of the University since 1940. The school provides a source from which natural resource agencies can request information or counsel, Darling said, but its main objective remains in keeping the faculty informed on current resource problems.

UM faculty members make annual field trips to confer with managerial and resource personnel and to keep up on the training needs of administrators on the job.

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"The tour will give the faculty an opportunity to observe and discuss on the ground problems with managers," Darling said, "particularly in personal relationships. It is through this medium that the faculty remains current on management problems facing us today, and it enables them to keep their course content in the classroom fresh and meaningful. The tour also provides the manager an opportunity to discuss his problems with an outside group familiar with the directive systems, policies and operation procedures of the government."

The group will go Ketchikan, Hollis-Thorne Bay, Wrangell, Petersburg, Juneau, Admiralty Island, Sitka, Glacier Bay National Monument, Fairbanks, Anchorage, Seward, and Kenai, Alaska.

During the tour they will work with the Alaska State Department of Natural Resources and will contact public interest groups and officials of industries which utilize natural resources, such as logging and milling operations, soil conservation projects, power sites, water fowl refuges, game ranges and stock and dude ranches.

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